Congress of the United States

House of Representatives

Washington, **DC** 20515-0503

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President Joe Biden
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Mr. President,

My district is among those affected by the winter storms and five counties within my district are a part of the Emergency Declaration. Thank you for recognizing the seriousness of the situation and approving the recent Emergency Declaration in the State of California. The funds and assistance this declaration will provide will no doubt save lives.

However, the situation continues to get worse. The weather service is predicting more storms to come and additional funds and assistance will be needed for the hard-hit businesses and families across the state. In anticipation of escalation of this disaster, I've called upon Governor Newsom to request a Major Disaster Declaration and I urge you to accept it.

These historic storms will continue to impact the state for months and possibly years to come, and the full extent of damage will not be known for days. However, approving this declaration request will allow Californians to be better prepared for the recovery phase. As such, I urge you to approve the State of California's request for a Major Disaster Declaration and expedite urgently needed federal assistance programs, which will provide the assistance necessary for our constituents to recover and rebuild.

Californians are incredibly resilient, and with cooperation at all levels of government, we will rebuild stronger than ever. I look forward to working with you on issues that affect my district and California as a whole. Thank you for your prompt attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,

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